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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety - Correctional Services - Juvenile Inmates**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Division of Correction to operate a separate unit for
4 inmates committed to the Division who are under the age of 18 years; requiring
5 that the unit only house juveniles; providing that the Commissioner of
6 Correction has the same powers and duties relating to a juvenile inmate unit as
7 the Commissioner has for any other correctional facility in the Division;
8 requiring the Commissioner to provide juvenile inmates with educational
9 services; requiring the Commissioner to classify each juvenile inmate and
10 provide certain available treatment, training, or employment that the
11 Commissioner considers appropriate; and generally relating to juvenile inmates
12 committed to the Division of Correction.

13 BY adding to
14 Article - Correctional Services
15 Section 3-3A-01 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 3A. Unit for Juvenile
16 Inmates"
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (1999 Volume and 2003 Supplement)

19 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
20 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

21 **Article - Correctional Services**

22 **SUBTITLE 3A. UNIT FOR JUVENILE INMATES.**

23 3-3A-01.

24 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "JUVENILE INMATE" MEANS AN INMATE COMMITTED TO
25 THE DIVISION OF CORRECTION WHO IS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 YEARS.

1 (B) (1) THE DIVISION OF CORRECTION SHALL OPERATE A SEPARATE UNIT
2 FOR JUVENILE INMATES.

3 (2) THE UNIT SHALL HOUSE ONLY JUVENILE INMATES.

4 (C) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION, THE
5 COMMISSIONER HAS THE SAME POWERS AND DUTIES RELATING TO A UNIT FOR
6 JUVENILE INMATES AS THE COMMISSIONER HAS FOR ANY OTHER CORRECTIONAL
7 FACILITY IN THE DIVISION.

8 (D) THE COMMISSIONER SHALL:

9 (1) PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR JUVENILE INMATES; AND

10 (2) CLASSIFY EACH JUVENILE INMATE AND ASSIGN THE JUVENILE
11 INMATE TO THE AVAILABLE TREATMENT, TRAINING, OR EMPLOYMENT THAT THE
12 DIVISION CONSIDERS APPROPRIATE.

13 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
14 effect October 1, 2004.